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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 26, 2004, setting a one-month period for reply and asserting a restriction requirement, Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction requirement in view of the following remarks. Further, Applicants submit the following claim amendments.